

## WHITTINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

**AN ORDINARY** meeting of Whittingham Parish Council took place on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Sept** at 7.00pm at Goosnargh Village Hall.

### **Members:**

Cllr Alan Lewis - Chairman  
Cllr Margaret Rigby  
Cllr Bernard Huggon  
Cllr Harry Landless  
Cllr Dave Hall  
Cllr Stan Hunter

### **Members of the public**

L King - GWHG

Mrs Julie Buttle – Parish Clerk

**APOLOGIES** Cllr Ruth Mills

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> Aug 2016.

**MIN 66** it was RESOLVED that the August Minutes be signed as a true record.

### **TO ACCEPT DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND TO CONSIDER ANY WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no representations from the public.

### **S106 TRAVEL PLANS**

It has been established that the developer pays a financial contribution to LCC *to cover LCC's cost of evaluating the Travel Plan and the monitoring its delivery*. Consequently, the Clerk has contacted LCC again to ascertain **who** is responsible for monitoring the Travel Plan for the Mosses Farm development. The Clerk was asked to confirm if a Travel Plan is a requirement in NW Preston and if problems were being experienced there.

With regards to a single Travel Plan co-ordinator being appointed to oversee the travel arrangements for the whole area, LCC have stated *it is up to the developers to decide if they wish to work together in this manner*.

**MIN 67** Given that LCC have not provided a named contact responsible for the monitoring of the travel plans and that LCC have returned Taylor Wimpey's Travel Plan contribution, Members RESOLVED that the Clerk contact Mrs Norris, Chief Executive of PCC to establish

- how LCC can return the payment when it was a condition of a joint S106 agreement,
- what action will the City Council take given that the development is being built without complying with the S106 planning agreement, and
- what support can be offered to the Parish Council given that the developers and LCC are not replying to any queries

### **WHITTINGHAM HOSPITAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES**

Under **MIN 26** Members RESOLVED that option 4 was the Parish Council's preferred option as it best reflected the aspirations of the appeal decision. The Council was strongly opposed to option 5. Cllr Lewis presented this information to the Stakeholder meeting where most attendees were in favour of option 3. A further meeting was arranged at the end of July but the meeting was cancelled and alternative dates have not been suitable to all. **MIN 68** It was RESOLVED that Cllr Lewis would keep up the pressure to get the meeting rearranged.

### **CONTOUR HOUSING – GOOSNARGH LANE**

Contour Housing have declined to host a public meeting to explain their proposal for 95 homes off Goosnargh Lane but they have requested to attend a Parish Council meeting. As Parish Council meetings are open to the public, this was not considered feasible and concerns were expressed that minor amendments may be made to the application following the Council meeting to give the impression that the Parish Council's concerns have been addressed. Notwithstanding this, Members felt it was important to involve the public so that the Parish Council can reflect their views. It was noted that the application site is in Goosnargh but the majority of residents affected will be in Whittingham Parish.

**MIN 69a** It was RESOLVED that Contour would not be invited to the October Parish Council meeting, instead a leaflet will be circulated to residents to ascertain comments on the proposal. The Clerk was requested to contact Goosnargh Parish Clerk to ensure the leaflet is supported and promoted by both Parishes.

Concerns were expressed that as the City Council does not have a 5yr housing supply the development will automatically be approved – despite it being in the open countryside.

**MIN 69b** It was RESOLVED that the Clerk contact PCC to ask what they are doing to resolve the 5yr housing supply situation and write to the CPRE to see if they can offer any support to oppose the application.

### **RIBBLE VALLEY HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN**

Members noted that Ribble Valley are consulting on a Housing and Economic Development Plan which can be viewed at [www.ribbonvalley.go.uk](http://www.ribbonvalley.go.uk)

**MIN 70** Members RESOLVED to make the following comments in response to the consultation

**Housing** - to note that Ribble Valley considers it unnecessary to make an allocation for the residual amount of housing, to ask what their current housing needs assessment is and whether it provides them with a stable 5yr supply and if not, to ensure that additional land is allocated along with the necessary supporting infrastructure.

**Employment** – to object to the development of green field sites when brown field sites such as Shay Lane are available and to question the suitability of Charnley Fold as an employment site as high voltage electricity pylons run across the site.

### **LOCAL HERITAGE LIST**

Members enlisted the help of the Heritage Group to assist with the identification of places / assets to be included on a Local Heritage List which could help protect the place / asset from development. **MIN 71** Members RESOLVED to approve the List drawn up by the Heritage Group. It was noted that the submission will be made by the Parish Council and any concerns about the content or inclusion of premises will be referred to the Parish Council. The Alston Arms, Gleadale Farmhouse and the Grapes were also suggested as late inclusions. The Clerk will try to include these before the 30<sup>th</sup> September deadline.

### **PLANNING APPLICATIONS BEFORE COUNCIL**

**Note** - Members are advised prior to the meeting that applications can be viewed at [www.preston.gov.uk](http://www.preston.gov.uk).

**06/2016/0799** Engineering operations to provide an earth pit for the storage of slurry at Whittingham Hall Farm, Whittingham Lane. Resubmission of 06/2016/0416.

The Clerk advised that concerns had been expressed regarding the proximity of the original application to new housing at Whittingham Hospital. This application does not alter the location of the slurry pit but an odour management plan has been submitted which identifies various measures to reduce the odour. **MIN 72** Members RESOLVED to leave to planning in consultation with environmental health.

### **FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

The Chairman verified that the accounts and bank statements had been reconciled.

### **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

Members are requested to approve the following accounts for payment

<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>PAYEE</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>CHEQUE</b>
Sept salary	Mrs J Buttle	£396.35	1202
Tax / National Ins	HMRC	£93.40	1203
Publishing the Newsletter & Insert Annual Report	Mrs J Buttle	£55.95	1204
Printing the Newsletter & Annual Report	Linotype Service	£205.00	1205
Delivery of the Newsletter	JPP Media	£75.00	1206
CPRE Membership	CPRE	£36.00	1207
Annual Audit	BDO LLP	£480.00	1208

### **CPRE MEMBERSHIP**

**MIN 73** Members RESOLVED to renew membership to the Campaign to Protect Rural England at a cost £36.00

### **REVIEW OF CIL ITEMS**

Members considered the proposed CIL survey to be included in the next edition of the Newsletter and noted that the Clerk has calculated the Parish Council is likely to receive £108,000. **MIN 74** Members RESOLVED to approve the publication of the survey.

A proposal was put forward to include a fixed speed camera near the Mosses Farm development. As the proposal has not been discussed as a formal agenda item – Members requested that the Clerk notify the Police of the speeding concerns and make enquiries regarding the procedure to erect a fixed speed camera as police resources will be required to check the film and issue any fixed penalty notices.

### **CUMERAGH PLAY AREA INSPECTIONS**

**MIN 75** As several quotes were still outstanding and replies from the Newsletter had not been forthcoming, Members RESOLVED to defer this item until the October meeting.

### **WAR MEMORIAL**

A sample of the memorial stone with the etched logo was brought to the meeting. It was queried if the logo could be coloured and this will be queried with the stone mason.

**MIN 76** Members looked at a plan of the garden and RESOLVED that it would be best located on the paved area near the hedge. Members were requested to visit the site and contact the Clerk if there were any obvious problems with the location. Cllr Lewis will speak to representatives from the Churches to make arrangements for the Dedication Service which will be on or around the 11<sup>th</sup> November with the stone being erected prior to that date.

### **ORDERING OF 16/17 CHRISTMAS TREE**

**MIN 77** Members RESOLVED to approve the purchase of a Christmas tree at Beacon Drive in accordance with the budget. A complete package to supply, erect, dress and remove the tree as previously arranged with Barton Grange was preferred.

### **TRAINING**

It was NOTED that the Community Engagement Course in September was oversubscribed but the Clerk requested that LALC retain the cheque in case a place becomes available. No Members are available to attend the Chairmanship Course (8<sup>th</sup> November) or the Finance workshop (29<sup>th</sup> November).

### **NOTE NEW CORRESPONDENCE**

Members NOTED that posters regarding reservoir safety have been displayed in the notice boards.

### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Parish Council is scheduled to take place on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2016** at 7.00pm.

It was mentioned that a panel has been broken in the Phone box in Halfpenny Lane. The Clerk will make arrangements to get it repaired.